Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application. No claims have been added, amended or canceled.

1. (Original) A method for a set of servers to respond to a request for a remote operation, wherein said request is issued in a local server in said set of servers, said method comprising the steps of:

(a) said local server performing a local operation arising from said request, wherein said step (a) includes the steps of:

(1) said local server blocking new requests in response to said request,

(2) said local server completing service of requests in progress, and

(3) said local server executing said local operation; and

(b) a remote server in said set of servers performing said remote operation arising from said request, wherein said step (b) includes the steps of:

(1) said remote server blocking new requests in response to said request,

(2) said remote server completing service of requests in progress, and

(3) said remote server executing said remote operation.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said step (a) further includes the step of:

(4) issuing said request to said remote server.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein said step (a) further includes the step of:

(5) creating a message channel for issuing said request to said remote server.

4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein said local server includes a set of function modules, and wherein said step (a) includes the step of:

(6) identifying a function module in said set of function modules corresponding to said local operation.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said step (a) further includes the step of:

(4) issuing said request to said remote server and other servers in said set of servers.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said local server includes a set of caches and wherein said step (a)(3) includes the step of:

(i) flushing a cache in said set of caches in response to said local operation.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said remote server includes a set of function modules, and wherein said step (b) includes the steps of:

(4) receiving said request from said local server; and

(5) identifying a function module in said set of function modules corresponding to said remote operation.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said remote server includes a set of caches and wherein said step (b)(3) includes the step of:

(i) flushing a cache in said set of caches in response to said remote operation.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said local server is a local Identity Server in communication with a Web Server and said remote server is a remote Identity Server in communication with said Web Server.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said remote Identity Server and said local Identity Server are in communication with an Access System.

11. (Original) One or more processor readable storage devices having processor readable code embodied on said processor readable storage devices, said processor readable code for programming one or more processors to perform a method for a set of servers to respond to a request for a remote operation, wherein said request is issued in a local server in said set of servers, said method comprising the steps of:

(a) said local server performing a local operation arising from said request, wherein said step (a) includes the steps of:

(1) said local server blocking new requests in response to said request,

(2) said local server completing service of requests in progress, and

(3) said local server executing said local operation; and

(b) a remote server in said set of servers performing said remote operation arising from said request, wherein said step (b) includes the steps of:

(1) said remote server blocking new requests in response to said request,

(2) said remote server completing service of requests in progress, and

(3) said remote server executing said remote operation.

12. (Original) One or more processor readable storage devices according to claim 11, wherein said step (a) further includes the step of:

(4) issuing said request to said remote server.

13. (Original) One or more processor readable storage devices according to claim 11, wherein said step (a) further includes the step of:

(4) issuing said request to said remote server and other servers in said set of servers.

14. (Original) One or more processor readable storage devices according to claim 11, wherein said local server includes a set of caches and wherein said step (a)(3) includes the step of:

(i) flushing a cache in said set of caches in response to said local operation.

15. (Original) One or more processor readable storage devices according to claim 11, wherein said remote server includes a set of function modules, and wherein said step (b) includes the steps of:

(4) receiving said request from said local server; and

(5) identifying a function module in said set of function modules corresponding to said remote operation.

16. (Original) One or more processor readable storage devices according to claim 11, wherein said remote server includes a set of caches and wherein said step (b)(3) includes the step of:

(i) flushing a cache in said set of caches in response to said remote operation.

17. (Original) One or more processor readable storage devices according to claim 11, wherein said local server is a local Identity Server in communication with a Web Server and an Access System and wherein said remote server is a remote Identity Server in communication with said Web Server and said Access System.

18. (Original) A system, comprising:

one or more communication interfaces;

one or more storage devices; and

one or more processors in communication with said one or more storage devices and said one or more communication interfaces, said processor performs a method for a set of servers to respond to a request for a remote operation, wherein said request is issued in a local server in said set of servers, said method comprising the steps of:

(a) said local server performing a local operation arising from said request, wherein said step (a) includes the steps of:

(1) said local server blocking new requests in response to said request,

(2) said local server completing service of requests in progress, and

(3) said local server executing said local operation; and

(b) a remote server in said set of servers performing said remote operation arising from said request, wherein said step (b) includes the steps of:

(1) said remote server blocking new requests in response to said request,

(2) said remote server completing service of requests in progress, and

(3) said remote server executing said remote operation.

19. (Original) The system of claim 18, wherein said step (a) further includes the step of:

(4) issuing said request to said remote server.

20. (Original) The system of claim 18, wherein said step (a) further includes the step of:

(4) issuing said request to said remote server and other servers in said set of servers.

21. (Original) The system of claim 18, wherein said local server includes a set of caches and wherein said step (a)(3) includes the step of:

(i) flushing a cache in said set of caches in response to said local operations.

22. (Original) The system of claim 18, wherein said remote server includes a set of function modules, and wherein said step (b) includes the steps of:

(4) receiving said request from said local server; and

(5) identifying a function module in said set of function modules corresponding to said remote operation.

23. (Original) The system of claim 18, wherein said remote server includes a set of caches and wherein said step (b)(3) includes the step of:

(i) flushing a cache in said set of caches in response to said remote operation.

24. (Original) The system of claim 18, wherein said local server is a local Identity Server in communication with a Web Server and an Access System and wherein said remote server is a remote Identity Server in communication with said Web Server and said Access System.

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